Wow! What a way to finish the school term. This week has been action-packed with more events still to come.

Firstly, thank you to all of you who came along to the parent-teacher interviews on Monday and Tuesday evening. Our school working hand-in-hand with you, our parents and carers, is what will make a significant difference to the outcomes of our students.

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Principal’s Report Continued

Your involvement and interest in your child’s education means a great deal to them, but also to our teachers and school staff who appreciate the opportunity to discuss your child’s learning progress with you.

This week saw the opening of our annual Art Show. Counsellor Allan Homes opened the exhibition on Monday afternoon and expressed his appreciation for the fact that such a significant number of students had contributed art work to the show. Many thanks also to the staff who organised this year’s show, in particular Mrs Crunkhorn, Mrs Dayes, Mrs Carroll, Miss Leevi and Miss Cassie. If you haven’t visited the library to see the wonderful student art on display, the art will be on show until second break on Thursday. It is well worth the visit!

Today also saw a visit from the children who will be beginning their formal education with Mareeba State School in Prep in 2016. The children spent a busy morning in the Prep classrooms completing activities and getting to know the Prep classrooms and staff. Many thanks to the P & C who provided our new students with a lovely library bag and water bottle to welcome them to our school. Welcome to our great school, kids!

Tomorrow we celebrate Under 8’s Day. This annual event is hugely popular and attracts families and visitors from across the community to join in the huge variety of fun-filled activities on offer. Thank you to Mrs Dayes and her band of helpers for ensuring this great event is a success again this year.

Year 6 students left for their senior camp at Mungall this week. We look forward to hearing all about their adventures on camp when they return on Friday.

Finally, school holidays commence on Friday. Term 4 recommences on Tuesday 6th October. Have a safe and happy break.

Run 4 Fun

Congratulations to the whole school for an awesome fundraising event Run 4 Fun. Just over $8000 was raised, the highest amount raised in a number of years. A big congratulations to the highest fundraiser & winner Daniel Penn (5C), who received an iPod Touch that was donated by the P&C. Daniel raised just over $1000. 2nd highest fundraiser was Lydia Natato (6S), who won an mp3 player. The highest fundraising class was 5C who will receive a surprise party! The P & C would like to thank the school community for the support in this fundraiser.

Billy Cart Success

Congratulations to Isaac Kneubuhler in 5C who was recently awarded the 2015 Queensland Billycarts championship for the 3rd year running. As part of his success, Isaac was awarded a trophy to proudly display at Mareeba State School.
Parents and carers are welcome to call in at the office and pay the annual resource fee of $50. EFTPOS is available. If you are unable to pay the total amount, we accept part payments. All monies go directly towards purchasing resources for classrooms. Thank you to the following families who have recently paid:

- Gray (Prep R)
- Henderson (5G, 2F)
- Motlap (3MC)
- Cousley (6S, 2T)
- Wenborn (3MT, 1Q)

**Please Help Us!**

**Mareeba Animal Refuge**

It has been made aware to us as a school that the **Mareeba Animal Refuge** is in desperate need of donations of wet food for their cats, dogs, puppies and kittens. **Prep C** would like to collect as many donations as possible in the next couple of weeks before the holidays to assist these animals in need. If you are able to, a tin of food or two from each family could go such a long way. These animals are most often unwanted, dumped or uncared for. With extremely limited resources, the staff and volunteers do an amazing job of caring for these beautiful animals and finding them much needed homes. I myself found my wonderful dog there and thank them for looking after him so well before he became my baby. Donations can be handed into our classroom in **G Block** at any time this week. We will keep you posted on how we go and thank you in advance for your support and assistance.

*Sheridan Collis & Prep C*

**Footy Colours Day**

Congratulations to all staff and students who wore their **FOOTY COLOURS** on Friday 4th September for our Term 3 Student Council fundraiser. The school looked fantastic in a sea of colours with many cowboys fans showing their true colours. As a school we managed to raise **$428.60** towards supporting cancer research in Australia. Without the support of our school families we wouldn’t have been this successful. Thank you from the Mareeba SS Student Council.

**PB4L Update**

Week 10 - Wow! It’s hard to believe we have nearly completed another term. Congratulations to the classes who have won the Subway Parties for this term; 1B, 3Mc and 4C. Our bus line I-Care ticket rewards have been working a treat. Our bus lines have been calm and the students are working hard to get a tuckshop voucher or movie ticket by following the bus line rules.

“I listen to the teacher and others when they are speaking” has been the focus rule for our last 2 weeks and is extremely important in the classroom and in the playground. Well done to the overwhelming majority of students for following our rules every week. We have had some fantastic feedback recently about how our school is calm and friendly.

Friday Afternoon Super Star Sports has been fantastic again this term. Many students that display Positive Behaviour for Learning have been rewarded with many fun games and activities such as Mountain Biking and AFL.

I hope everyone has a fantastic holiday and a well-earned rest before we get back into Term 4.

The PB4L Team

**Parent Volunteers**

Just a friendly reminder that all parent volunteers and other visitors to the school must sign in at the office before going to the classroom.

Thank you for your co-operation.
Selection Process for 2016 School Leaders

1. Two School Captains will be selected (1 male, 1 female)
Two School Vice Captains will be selected (1 male, 1 female)
Two Indigenous Leaders will be selected (1 male, 1 female)
Six Sports Captains will be selected (two per sports house, 1 male, 1 female from each)
One Choir Captain will be selected
One Instrumental Music Captain will be selected
One AUSLAN Captain will be selected

2. Selection is based on data collected on applicants
   - Written Application
   - Speech at Parade
   - Vote by 2015 students in Years 3 - 5
   - Administration (Principal, Deputies, BM Teacher)
   - Behaviour and attendance in accordance with our school’s Responsible Behaviour Plan

3. The following process/timeline will be put in place for the selection of Student Leaders for 2015.

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School Bus Changes

As of the 6th October 2015, there will be some changes to the Mareeba school bus network. These changes are summarised below:

1. Jennings Road will continue to be serviced by G&A Holdings Investments P/L (Ms Anna Vechio-Ruggeri), however the company’s large bus utilised on the Walkamin—Mareeba P586 service will also operate along Jennings Road.

2. G&A Holdings P/L’s P1546 service from Ellery Road and Wylandra Estate will travel to the Mareeba schools via McIver Road, Tilse, Costin, Shule and Reynolds Streets and Chewko Road.

3. Roiko Road will now be serviced by the P609 Chewko Road bus operated by Ernino & Roberto Bambino.

G&A Holdings P/L, Ms Anna Vechio Ruggeri - Ph: 0427 932 288
E&R Bambino, Robert Bambino - Ph: 0429 451 861
IPU News

Family A Group boys have been busy learning to build modes of transport with K’nex construction toys.

Under 8’s Day

Voices of children: Look, Listen, Hear & Respond

When: Thursday, 17th September
Time: 9am—11am
Who: Children 8 and Under

Come along for a morning of fun, smiles and learning. We have a variety of activities for all ages.

Don’t forget your hat, sunscreen and shoes!